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HOUSE BILL 2714

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 15-533, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO SCHOOL TEACHERS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
2 Section 1. Section 15-533, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 15-533. Reciprocity: proficiency examination

5 A. To qualify for either a basic or standard teaching certificate, or
6 equivalent certificate later adopted by the state board of education, a
7 person must pass each component of the proficiency examination developed and
8 administered by the state board of education. The proficiency examination
9 shall consist of only a professional knowledge test and a subject knowledge
10 test. A person is not required to take ~~a component of~~ the examination if the
11 person has passed ~~a component on~~ a proficiency examination ~~which has been~~
12 adopted by a state board of education or equivalent agency in another state
~~and which has been determined to be equivalent to the applicable component on~~
~~the examination prescribed in this section by the state board of education in~~
~~this state.~~ The state board of education may grant a basic or standard
15 teaching certificate for not to exceed one year to a teacher who is a
16 nonresident and who has not met the requirement of this section at the time
17 of application.

18 B. A person is not required to pass the proficiency examination or the
19 equivalent examination more than once, except that a person who passed the
20 examination **DEVELOPED AND ADMINISTERED IN THIS STATE BY THE STATE BOARD OF**
EDUCATION seven or more years before qualifying to teach in this state is
23 required to repass the examination. **A PERSON WHO PASSED A PROFICIENCY**
EXAMINATION ADOPTED BY A STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION OR EQUIVALENT AGENCY IN
ANOTHER STATE SEVEN OR MORE YEARS BEFORE QUALIFYING TO TEACH IN THIS STATE IS
REQUIRED TO PASS THE PROFICIENCY EXAMINATION DEVELOPED AND ADMINISTERED IN
THIS STATE BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, EXCEPT THAT A PERSON WHO HAS BEEN
EMPLOYED AS A TEACHER IN ANOTHER STATE FOR AT LEAST FIVE OF THE PREVIOUS
SEVEN YEARS BEFORE QUALIFYING TO TEACH IN THIS STATE IS NOT REQUIRED TO
REPASS THE EXAMINATION.

21 C. **A PERSON WHO IS NOT REQUIRED TO PASS THE PROFICIENCY EXAMINATION**
22 **DEVELOPED AND ADMINISTERED IN THIS STATE BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**
23 **PURSUANT TO SUBSECTIONS A OR B SHALL ONLY BE GRANTED RECIPROCITY FOR THOSE**
24 **PROFICIENCY EXAMINATIONS REQUIRED IN THIS STATE THAT PERTAIN TO THE GRADE**
25 **LEVELS AND CONTENT AREAS THAT THE PERSON IS CERTIFIED TO TEACH IN ANOTHER**
26 **STATE.**